ALIGNMENT: <u>VALLEY</u>

ORIGIN: PSR

Public Comment (October 2000 Open House):

- Most popular alignment
- Affects the least private properties
- Interchange at Route 175 allows easy access to existing Hopland Businesses
- Floodway impacts may be significant

## Design Modifications Based on Public Input:

• Adjusted tie in location to join existing alignment earlier (minimizing floodway impacts and ROW take)

## External PDT Member Comment (February 2001 External PDT Meeting):

• Resource agencies felt design changes were acceptable

#### Further Studies:

- Upon further analysis it was determined that the interchange at Route 175 is not feasible due to ordinary high water would flood the on/off ramps on a yearly basis
- Developed two new variations of the valley alignment
  - ➤ VALLEY WEST #1
    - ✓ Includes two interchanges (South and CDF)
    - ✓ Encroaches into floodway for approximately 2.0 miles
    - ✓ Requires reconstruction of approximately one mile of Hopland Unit 3
  - ➤ VALLEY WEST #2
    - ✓ Includes two interchanges (South and Sundial)
    - ✓ Encroaches into floodway for approximately 2.0 miles
    - ✓ Requires reconstruction of approximately one mile of Hopland Unit 3

## Current Design Recommendation:

- Refine VALLEY WEST studies to one alignment- VALLEY WEST #2
  - Less impact to undisturbed land
  - > Proximity of access to Hopland Business Community

ALIGNMENT: WEST

ORIGIN: PSR

Public Comment (October 2000 Open House):

- Over whelming community rejection
- Alignment will cut off Mountain House Road
- Places a freeway next to the elementary school
- Noise and aesthetic impacts to downtown Hopland

Design Modifications Based on Public Input:

• DROP FROM FURTHER STUDIES

External PDT Member Comment (February 2001 External PDT Meeting):

- Large sediment generating earthwork in hills just west of Hopland
- Agreed with recommendation to drop from further studies

Further Studies:

• N/A

Current Design Recommendation:

• DROP FROM FURTHER STUDIES

ALIGNMENT: **EAST** 

ORIGIN: PSR

Public Comment (October 2000 Open House):

- Comments in favor of the alignment barely out number the comments against
- Preserve Valley Oaks Farm Historical Land Mark of the Community
- Alignment hits a Bottling Facility
- Significant Environmental Impacts (stream crossings, oak woodlands, wildlife migration)

# Design Modifications Based on Public Input:

• Adjusted to avoid the Valley Oaks Farm and Bottling Facility

# External PDT Member Comment (February 2001 External PDT Meeting):

- Resource agencies felt design changes were acceptable
- Resource agencies indicated that environmental impacts are too great for serious consideration

#### Further Studies:

- Alignment pushed further east to avoid a known Native American burial site located on Fetzer Vineyards Property
- Revised alignment includes three interchanges (South, Route 175, CDF)
- Encroaches into floodway for approximately 0.45 miles

## Current Design Recommendation:

• CONTINUE TO STUDY

ALIGNMENT: <u>VALLEY EAST</u>

ORIGIN: Public Input and 1991 Preliminary Route Assessment Report prepared for

the Hopland Advisory Group

Public Comment (October 2000 Open House):

• Alignment was introduced at the open house

Design Modifications Based on Public Input:

- Alignment was developed to minimize impacts to private properties
- Tie in to existing alignment matched that of the east alignment

External PDT Member Comment (February 2001 External PDT Meeting):

- Resource agencies felt addition of Valley East alignment was warranted.
- Resource agencies felt that alignment should tie in to existing alignment as early as possible to minimize impacts to floodway and minimize ROW take.

#### Further Studies:

- Three variations were developed
  - ➤ VALLEY EAST #1
    - ✓ Ties to existing alignment near the CDF fire station
    - ✓ Includes two interchanges (Route 175, CDF)
    - ✓ Encroaches into floodway for approximately 3.25 miles
  - ➤ VALLEY EAST #2
    - ✓ Ties to existing alignment just north of Hopland
    - ✓ Alignment geometry does not allow an interchange at Route 175
    - ✓ Includes two interchanges (South, Sundial)
    - ✓ Encroaches into floodway for approximately 1.65 miles
    - ✓ Requires reconstruction of approximately one mile of Hopland Unit 3
  - ➤ VALLEY EAST #3
    - ✓ Ties to existing alignment near the Sundial Ranch
    - ✓ Includes two interchanges (Route 175, Sundial)
    - ✓ Encroaches into floodway for approximately 2.3 miles

# Current Design Recommendation:

- Drop VALLEY EAST #1 from further studies
- > Encroachment into floodway is too great
- CONTINUE TO STUDY VALLEY EAST #2 AND #3

ALIGNMENT: <u>VALLEY WEST #3</u>

ORIGIN: NEW - DESIGN

Public Comment (October 2000 Open House):

• N/A

Design Modifications Based on Public Input:

• N/A

External PDT Member Comment (February 2001 External PDT Meeting):

• N/A

## Further Studies:

- Recently developed by Design
  - ➤ Minimizes encroachment into floodway (approximately 0.90 miles)
  - ➤ Minimizes ROW take
  - > Includes two interchanges (Feliz, Sundial)

# Current Design Recommendation:

• CONTINUE TO STUDY

ALIGNMENT: **NORTH HOPLAND** 

ORIGIN: NORTH HOPLAND PROJECT COMBINED WITH HOPLAND BYPASS

Public Comment (October 2000 Open House):

• N/A

Design Modifications Based on Public Input:

• N/A

External PDT Member Comment (February 2001 External PDT Meeting):

N/A

#### Further Studies:

- > Design has produced three alternatives for this portion of the project
  - 1. NHF This alternate is a freeway that would be constructed adjacent to the existing alignment, leaving the existing route as a frontage road. NHF includes an Interchange at McNab Ranch Road.
  - 2. NHP This alternate is a freeway that will use the existing route to the maximum extent possible, minimizing right of way take and ground disturbance, while utilizing private access roads instead of a frontage road. NHF includes an Interchange at McNab Ranch Road.
  - 3. NHE This alternate is an expressway that would be constructed on the existing alignment leaving several at grade intersections and median crossings.

Current Design Recommendation: CONTINUE TO STUDY NHF, NHP, NHE